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RE: Docket No. 2008-0083 – Application of Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc. ("HECO") for Approval of Rate Increases and Revised Rate Schedules and Rates – Request for Extension of Time to File Responses to PUC-IR-117

Dear Mr. Matsuura:

The Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") is in receipt of HECO's letter filed on October 2, 2009, requesting an extension of time from October 2, 2009, to October 7, 2009, to file HECO's response to PUC-IR-117, issued by the Commission on September 16, 2009.

In your letter, you noted that HECO "requires additional time to prepare the response due to certain critical individuals being involved in other regulatory matters this week – e.g., the reply brief for the decoupling proceeding (Docket No. 2008-0274) and the application and written testimonies for the Maui Electric Company, Limited 2010 test year rate case (Docket No. 2009-0163)." The Commission will treat HECO's letter request as a motion for extension of time ("Motion") under Hawaii Administrative Rules ("HAR") §§ 6-61-23 and 6-61-41. HAR § 6-61-23(a)(1) allows the Commission to enlarge a period by which a required act must be completed upon a showing of good cause provided that a written request is made before the expiration of the period originally prescribed.¹

¹Motions that do not involve the final determination of a proceeding may be determined by the chairperson or commissioner. See HAR § 6-61-41(e).

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Upon review, the Commission grants the Motion, thereby approving HECO's request for an extension of time. Therefore, HECO has until Wednesday, October 7, 2009, to file its responses to PUC-IR-117, that was due on October 2, 2009.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at 586-2020.

Sincerely,

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